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Kids of Honor aids struggling students

By Caroline Watson

Salisbury students, as well as the local community, are encouraged to raise awareness concerning a new program called Kids of Honor, which is primarily aimed toward underserved middle school students.

The program will be offered to students in the Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset counties where a high percentage of no diploma rates were discovered. The goal of the program is to get kids excited about learning and to encourage them to do better.

Paula Morris, a member of the department of managing and marketing in the Perdue School and founder of Kids of Honor (KOH), worked with other contributors to come up with the program that will ultimately help to increase the amount of high school graduates.



Photo by Michelle Bennett

"Kids of honor began as a project for marketing class and has become a way to encourage students to finish school." -Candace Mattingly

Morris, along with students in her promotion management class, are working to spread the word about the program which will offer a \$500 dollar check to the chosen Kid of Honor at the end of the year.

"There is a string attached to the \$500 dollar check and that's the incentive," said Morris. She said the check does not go directly to the student, but instead it is invested in the bank and the child cannot touch it until he/she graduates from high school.

Marie Dougherty, a senior who is in Morris's promotional management class, said that by helping with the KOH program, students can do good for the community and will feel better about themselves for helping out.

"It's not a program that stands alone,"

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Photo by Michelle Bennett

"I'm glad to get involved in Kids of Honor." - Marie Dougherty

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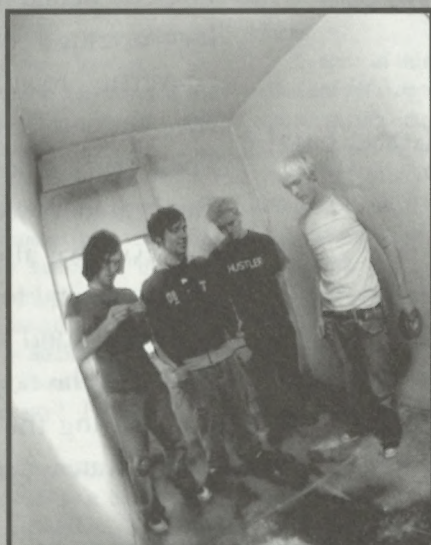


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Horizons: coming out of the closet

By Shane Jacobus

The Student Affairs Committee has organized a series of sessions dealing with lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) issues in order to maintain an all-inclusive campus community. The program is aptly titled "Horizons" because it primarily focuses on encouraging LGBT students to come out of the closet.

"Basically, we're trying to help students come to terms with being gay," said Jim McCallops, Horizons trainer and associate professor of the history department. "So they don't feel alone and have a place to go to for guidance."

Aside from providing guidance for LGBT students, Horizons also educates the instructors about these issues.

"The idea is so that faculty and staff

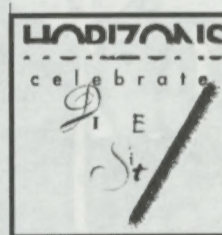
could be more receptive to LGBT students," said Dr. Chrys Egan of the communication arts department. "That way we could be more supportive of their community."

Horizons began over four years ago around the time Matthew Shepard, an openly gay college student, was tied to a post and beaten to death in an apparent hate crime. Many Americans expressed outrage at the nature of this offense. However, others stated that Shepard must not be regarded as a martyr

because he lived an amoral life and would be punished for it in the hereafter.

Many clerics have condemned LGBT lifestyles in reference to the Bible. These individuals often wield influence on the

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Troops find traces of nerve agents in Iraq

US troops discovered about a dozen 55-gallon drums outside Baiji, Iraq, on Friday, April 25. One of the drums checked by a chemical team tested positive for a mixture of a nerve agent called cyclosarin and a blister agent that could be mustard gas, according to initial test results. The troops had responded to an alert from US Special Forces teams around midnight Friday, as the teams had been suspicious of the presence of surface-to-air missiles in the area. The troops also found two mobile laboratories that could possibly have been used for mixing chemicals, but looters had apparently ransacked the labs.

Famous paintings heisted from U.K. museum

Manchester's Whitworth Art Gallery suffered a huge loss last weekend when paintings by master artists Vincent van Gogh,

Pablo Picasso and Paul Gauguin were stolen during the night. According to police, Van Gogh's "The Fortifications of Paris with Houses," Picasso's "Poverty" and Gauguin's "Tahitian Landscape" were all unaccounted for.

China strengthens quarantine after 21 more die

Beijing health officials have reported eight new deaths due to SARS and have suggested that up to 2,300 people have been infected. Karaoke places, discos and theaters were all shut down to help stop the spread of the disease, and hundreds of construction workers toiled day and night to build a 1,000-bed isolation ward for SARS-infected patients. Three hospitals have been sealed off already, quarantining patients and staff, and 7,600 people who may have been exposed to SARS must not leave their homes.

Taiwan reported its first SARS death

and imposed a 10-day quarantine on travelers from affected areas of the globe. Those who violate the quarantine can be jailed for up to two years or fined up to \$8,600.

This brings the total number of deaths from SARS up to 318, with more than 4,800 people infected throughout the world.

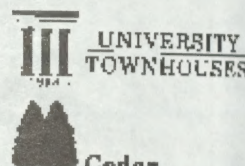
Riot at UMES dance

Several fights erupted into a riot at University of Maryland Eastern Shore last Friday night, leaving two students hospitalized for injuries, including one stabbing. Six police agencies were called to the scene, including Somerset and Worcester counties to aid in crowd control, when mace was

deployed, intensifying the disruption. There were an estimated 600 to 800 people at the dance that prompted the event.

Website postings spark controversy

Salisbury city councilwomen Rachel Polk and Lavonzella Siggers have recently become the targets of angry firefighters on an Internet chat site called thewatchdesk.com. The comments have ranged from disapproving to insulting and the councilwomen are looking to city officials to investigate both the webmaster and those who posted the sentiments.



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Fishing season begins for the SUFC



Salisbury University's Fishing Club (SUFC) participates in many campus events.

By Bryan Shone

With the recent loss of the pride and soul of Salisbury University's Fishing Club (SUFC), its members have pulled together in unison to keep their club on top. Now, SUFC is made up of over 50 active members, with advisors Ann Barse and Dennis Leoutsakas.

Jerry Daniel Landsman, SUFC's Co-

President, passed away in late January, leaving the entire SU community in shock. One particular activity where Landsman put much of his time was the SUFC.

"We've dealt with his loss by keeping alive all of his great ideas and trying to see them through, and it's been better than I've ever imagined," said Zach Richards, the

SUFC's director of procurement.

"Everyone has stepped up significantly, considering [Landsman] used to pretty much handle all of the administrative aspects of our club," said Will McCready, secretary of the SUFC.

According to many SUFC members, the club has succeeded in their attempts to organize more trips, gain more knowledge about different aspects of fishing and cultivate new ideas for club functions.

This spring the SUFC has a camping and fishing trip to Assateague Island planned for the weekend of May 3 and 4. They often put together charter-fishing trips, the location depending on the interest.

The week of April 27, the club will hold their first annual camera tournament, where each team of two has all week to fish, but only 12 pictures available on their camera. Many awards are distributed at the end of the week for largest fish, most fish caught, etc.

Depending on the size of their budget, the SUFC is seeking to invest in a Jon boat. They plan on expanding their fishing capabilities with the luxury of having their own boat, allowing them to reach several more areas on the water.

Members of the club are proud of their website, which includes weekly fishing re-

ports, events, a records page, a discussion board and an array of pictures in the photo gallery. In its third semester, the site has had over 2700 hits.

When SUFC members are not fishing, they almost always have an entertaining activity going on. In the fall 2002 semester, they attended and conquered the Regents Cup at Towson University by winning the tailgating contest. On Friday evenings, the club members often get together for their weekly "Social Hour," an activity that originally began in the spring semester of 2002.

In the off-season, the SUFC often uses its money to recruit guest speakers with expertise in specific areas of fishing. In particular, Ken Walker spoke this semester about fly-fishing.

Thirty members of the SUFC attended the first annual "Abnormal Semiformal," sponsored by Habitat for Humanity and the Bowling Club, held on April 27, raising \$150 for their club. The SUFC has helped Habitat for Humanity in their efforts to provide community service for the past two years.

With or without ownership of a rod, membership to the SUFC is free and encouraged. For more information on the SUFC, go to <http://orgs.salisbury.edu/fishing/>.

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voting block when it comes to politics. Consequently, some politicians have resonated their beliefs in one form or another.

U.S. Senator Rick Santorum made some controversial remarks when asked about a Supreme Court case dealing with sodomy laws.

"If the Supreme Court says that you have the right to consensual (gay) sex within your home," said Sen. Santorum, "then you have the right to bigamy, you have the right to polygamy, you have the right to incest, you have the right to adultery. You have the right to anything. Does that undermine the fabric of our society? I would argue yes, it does."

Several gay rights groups have asked that Santorum resign his post in the No.3 spot on the Senate leadership. Rep. Jim Moran and Sen. Trent Lott were forced to abdicate their leadership positions after they

made comments that offended Jews and blacks.

In spite of this, Santorum upholds his statement with support from numerous other groups, saying that homosexuality is "antithetical to strong, healthy families."

LGBT lifestyles are constantly being ridiculed through various media ranging from the music industry to television and the cinema.

Horizons has asked that all professors who participated to hang a pink triangle outside their door. Nazi Germany used this emblem to isolate homosexuals in the wake of the Final Solution. Now it is meant to distinguish friends and allies of LGBT students among the faculty and staff at Salisbury.

"The overall purpose of Horizons," said Dr. McCallops, "is to create an atmosphere that's accepting of everyone on campus."

Kids of honor

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said Morris. "It's simply a program that you use to enhance existing programs."

The KOH program is currently working with the Salvation Army and 100 Good Men, both of which offer after-school programming for kids who may be struggling with schoolwork.

Morris explains that by looking at basic criteria, such as the improvement of grades and homework being turned in on time, one student each month will be chosen as the Kid of Honor. In front of peers, teachers and family, the student will be recognized by getting a certificate and have their picture displayed.

At the end of the year, all of the monthly winners get together and write letters to the sponsors of the program on why it is important to stay in school. For a final time, their basic criteria are looked over and one student is chosen to receive the \$500 check.

"Kids in this particular age group like to be recognized and appreciated for their hard work," said Candice Mattingly, a senior who is also in the promotions management class. "They feel good about themselves when they improve or bring a grade up."

Both Mattingly and Dougherty said that if programs like this were available to them when they were younger, then they probably would have worked harder and been more excited about school.

Morris developed the idea for the program one and a half years ago when work-

ing with fundraiser events for the learning center at the Salvation Army. She explained that the Maryland county system has a rule that if students in the learning center don't have a GPA of 1.6 or higher, they must go to tutoring two days a week and are not allowed to participate in sports. Morris wanted to encourage these students to come, even after they raised their GPA.

One child has already been recognized as the Kid of Honor at the learning center and is excited about helping other children who are currently in the program.

"Quantitatively, we have really been able to see that it's got an impact," said Morris.

She hopes that by the fall the program will be available in 10-12 schools and by this time next year the program will be nationwide with the help of Colin Powell's organization, America's Promise. She is also working toward getting the program Internet based so that more people can be reached and registration will be easier.

Students, especially those who are majoring in education and can bring the program into good use when they get a teaching job, are encouraged to raise awareness for the program.

In two months the Kids of Honor website, www.kidsofhonor.org, is scheduled to be up and running. Students can contact Paula Morris or request the Kids of Honor brochure for more information on the program.

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Commentary: Hesitant consumers threaten a lethargic U.S. economy

By Bryan Shone

The overall status of the U.S. economy has yet to mold into good shape. If you haven't noticed, you should check your pockets. Everyone and their dogs have been affected by some type of budget cut. The market for jobs has tightened and Americans are still in an overall stage of uncertainty.

Sure, positive war results may help consumer confidence increase, but with so many lagging issues, such as September 11, corporate scandals and the immediate concern of SARS, the consumer is still cautious when spending.

The gutsy optimists are counting on a highly successful outcome to the war efforts overseas to intensify the timid American consumer. Others feel as though the war is another reason to feel uncertain. Will gasoline prices continue to rise? Will the possibility of terrorism inflate after the U.S. prevails in Iraq?

According to the Commerce Department, the gross domestic product (GDP) only grew by 1.6 percent in the first quarter of 2003, 0.4 percent lower than the expected value, or 2 percent. There is no doubt that this is due to the uncertainty in consumers and in the business sector.

Unemployment is still high. Accord-

ing to the *New York Times*, almost a half million Americans lost their jobs within the past two months. Businesses find it difficult to hire workers with such undersized budgets.

The first three months of 2003 were also hurt by the violent weather, where some parts of the country experienced weeks of snowed-in employees. Higher energy prices were also a result of the severe weather this winter.

There are some areas of the economy to be content with. The Commerce Department's measure of retail sales grew by 2.1 percent in March, the highest boost since the introduction of zero percent financing in the automobile market following September 11.

Housing starts strengthened by a reliable 8.3 percent in March, bouncing back from its fall in February, according to *Business Week*. Also, there is a homecoming to cheap financing in the automobile market, which leaves hopes of a rise in auto sales.

A healthy economy begs for certainty in its consumers, and once acquired, the industrial sector can supply more to meet the consumer demand. With signs of hesitation among consumers, companies can only put off their expenses further in time.

"Tough-love" professor wins Faculty Member of the Year Award

By Cheryl Killman

On April 17 at the Celebration of University Leadership Awards ceremony, a sur-

prised Dr. Haven Simmons, professor in the communication arts department, accepted the award for Faculty Member of the Year.

"I had some indication that I might win an award," Simmons says, "but I did not realize that I would win that award."

"I think he deserved it," says senior CMAT major Bridget Dellar. "He's a

tough teacher but I learned a lot from him."

Simmons is in his sixth year at Salisbury University, and has recently received

tenure. He is also seeking promotion to Associate Professor.

His teaching style, which usually sends out a collective groan among his students (his infamous mid-terms, for example), has earned him the nickname the "tough-love professor," given by a former student.

"I have a

Simmons says, "but this award indicates that many of our students want to be challenged."

He says his teaching style is very pragmatic, based on 15 years experience in and around the media. He is often heard talking about his Public Information Officer (PIO) days for various police departments in Florida. Today, he is often called for interviews by local TV stations.

In the past six years, Simmons has created four new classes in the CMAT department: Public Relations Cases & Strategies, Public Affairs Reporting, Sports Communication (only taught in the winter semester) and the newest, Media and Criminal Justice.

Despite his tough teaching style, however, Simmons has his faithful followers.

"I have a corps of outstanding students

who have taken me for many classes," he says. "The strong students make me a better teacher."

"I can't imagine anyone being more appropriately suited for that honor," says senior CMAT major Nick Deiss.

In addition, Simmons teaches media relations, mentors PIOs and anchors newscasts four times a year in terrorism, HAZMAT and natural disaster classes at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

However, he says, "I consider myself a teacher first and foremost, above and beyond all my other obligations."

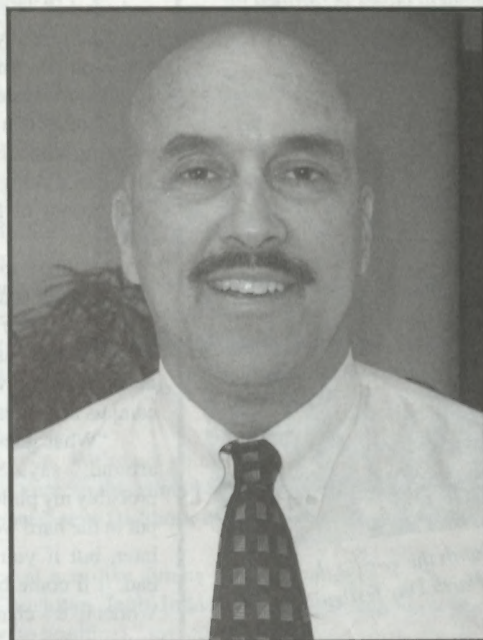
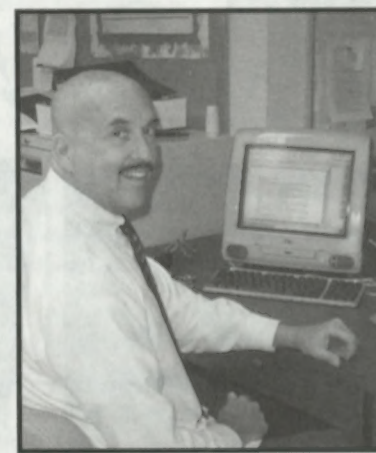


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Haven Simmons. He's our guy!



Dr. Simmons takes time out to pose for the camera.

Photo by Constance Menish

Student Spotlight: Dane Sears

By Becki Lee

Interning with Major League Baseball, getting great on-the-job experience, meeting famous baseball players—doesn't sound like a typical college kid summer, does it? But then, Dane Sears isn't your typical college student.

The senior communication arts major was chosen to be one of fewer than ten interns for Major League Baseball last summer. Over 90 people had applied.

For the internship, Sears got to live in New York City and spent most of his time helping with the show "This Week in Baseball," a weekly show that features highlights of the previous week's baseball games. As a production assistant, Sears researched facts for the show, cued video clips for the editors and even got to help in a couple on-location shoots, like in Yankee Stadium, where he got to meet several famous baseball players.

"I used to be an avid Yankee hater until I worked in New York City," says Sears, whose favorite team is the Baltimore Orioles. "I thought that after meeting the [Yankees], having casual conversations with them, they're just like genuine people, just like you and I."

"They do make a few more million," Sears quips, "but they're definitely not necessarily the way that all Oriole fans portray them."

Baseball is clearly something very dear to Sears, who played it during all four years in high school but has decided to focus more on schoolwork in college.

"When I was little, I always thought about playing baseball [professionally]," Sears says. "But now that I'm getting an education and I've realized that the time has come to stop [playing baseball], I've decided that if I can't play it, I might as well work in it."

Sears says that his ideal job would be working as a general manager for a baseball team, but that he will try to start out in public relations and work his way up.

"I would love the opportunity to work for a professional sports organization," he says. "My sport of choice is baseball, but

I'm really open to any sport at this point."

Even though he doesn't play a lot of sports in college, Sears keeps himself more than busy with his other campus activities. He is a resident assistant in Chesapeake Hall; the president of Lambda Pi Eta, the communication arts honors society; vice president of Omicron Delta Kappa, a leadership honors society; a member of Saferide; and formerly the president and vice president of the Residence Hall Association.

"As far as I am concerned, he is by far the most active student on campus," says Bryan Horikami, Sears' advisor and a professor of the communication and theater arts department. "I wrote many letters of recommendation for him over the years and as each semester went by, I added several more things that he had

accomplished."

Jacquie Tolan, an RA in St. Martin's, agrees that Sears is very active on campus. "He's so involved. You think he's a big-time person, but he's like all of us," she says. "He's really down-to-earth."

Tolan attests to Sears' skill and dedication at anything he's involved in. "He's always willing to lend a hand," she says. "He's a very good RA, really cares about his residents...He's a really hard worker."

Other people recognize Sears' dedication, too. For example, Sears is actually attending college on a delegate scholarship. "I wrote [David G. Boschert, Maryland House of Delegates District 33A] a letter and told him I couldn't afford college, basically," Sears says. "I gave him my grades, what I wanted to do in life, what I hoped to receive out of my education...and he responded with a scholarship."

Officials at SU have also noticed Sears' hard work and caring attitude. Last year, Sears was the recipient of the Merwin Leader Scholarship and a Campus Life Award, as well as being entered into "Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities 2002." Earlier this year, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach presented the Daniel Landsman Outstanding Student Leader

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Dane smiles for the Flyer.

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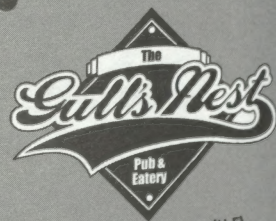
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Students check out the different Earth Day displays.



Students pose with the gorilla that spent the day at the Earth Day festival!

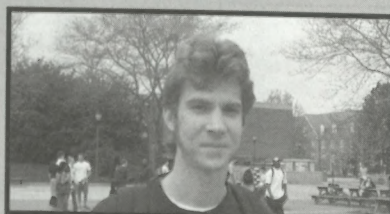
Overheard

By Abby Finestine and Sonia Thompson

What would you do if you won the lottery?



"I would bank some of it and invest some. I would take a tour of the world on a hot air balloon. Oh wait...I know what I would do, I would buy an iceberg, carve it into a pirate ship and then I would be a pirate!"
Lucia Michel, Freshman



"I would donate to Children's Cancer Society. I really would like to donate now, but I really don't have the money. I think kids are definitely worth helping."
Nick Dobrodey, Junior



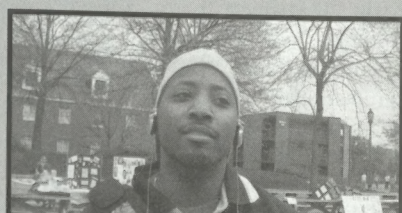
"I would take a trip to Hawaii, actually buy a house in Hawaii and give to cancer research."
Lauren Marone, Sophomore



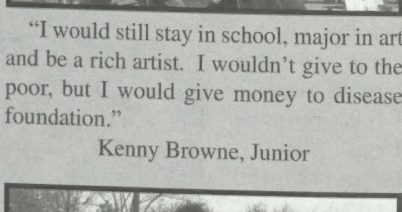
"I would pay off all of my loans and then pay off my twin sister's loans. I would buy a new car, and if there is money left over, buy a new house for my parents and get an apartment for myself."
Suzanne Carley, Sophomore



"I would split it up. Pay off college and major bills, then go on a major shopping spree."
Stephanie Miller, Freshman



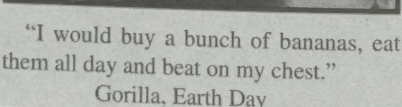
I would finish school, put my sister through college, pay off my parents' mortgage, and invest."
Gwynne Harper, Senior



"I would still stay in school, major in art and be a rich artist. I wouldn't give to the poor, but I would give money to disease foundation."
Kenny Browne, Junior



"I would buy a car and take a nice trip to an island."
Ruth Strauss, Junior



"I would buy a bunch of bananas, eat them all day and beat on my chest."
Gorilla, Earth Day



"I would start my own army and rule the world."
Amir Zare, Sophomore

Sears

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Award to two students, Sears and Jason McGraw, in memory of one of Sears' Chesapeake residents. And Sears will also receive an award at the upcoming Honors Convocation.

Sears attributes some of his success in college to the outstanding help of the SU faculty.

"They're not just teachers and coaches," he says. "Here, it's like they're really genuine people who you can know on an individual basis instead of just being your teacher in a classroom. [Interacting with the faculty is] definitely one thing I would never give up out of my experiences here."

Needless to say, Sears puts his heart and soul into the things that really matter to him, whether they include baseball, his residents, his schoolwork or his other campus activities.

"What goes around comes around," says Sears. "That's probably my philosophy... If you put in the hard work, it'll pay off later, but if you treat someone bad, it'll come back to get you. Works like a charm."

Get the scoop on the Field Day bands

By Rob Goszkowski

On May 2, the biggest concert event ever to hit Salisbury University will be taking place at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium. This year's Field Day has

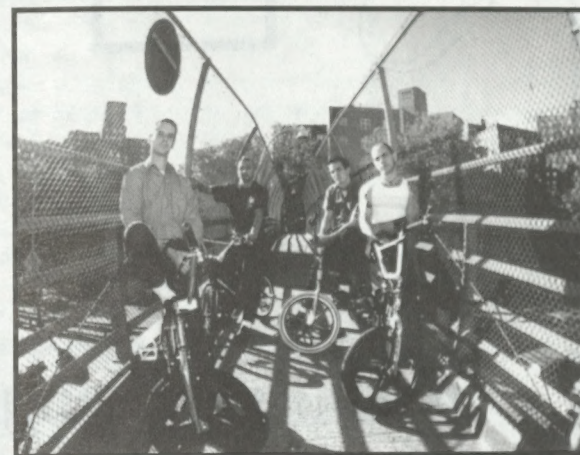
undergone some serious changes in an effort to bring the biggest and best show possible to SU students. The admission charge has allowed SOAP and WSUR to hire more bands than in previous years, not to mention hold the show at a vastly improved location (tailgating, real bathrooms, beer vendors and shuttles running from student neighborhoods and campus).

"Selling tickets allows us to break even. We're not going to make a profit this year, so this should help us out for next year," says DJ Short, head of WSUR.

"We looked at acts like Jimmy Eat World, Good Charlotte, Jack Johnson, Newfound Glory [to headline]," says Short. "National acts don't want to play colleges. The Used were a cheaper alternative; they're getting airplay, and have played on the main stage at the HFStival." For those that don't know, here's the skinny on what

The Used and the other bands are about.

The Used: This punk rock band has received heavy airplay for their single "The



The Bouncing Souls

Photo by: B.J. Pappas

Taste of Ink" on MTV and rock radio. The band hails from Orem, Utah, a predominantly Mormon town; their need to break away from such conformity is apparent in their music. This attitude has stuck with them from the bottom, where they dealt with homelessness and drug addiction, straight to the top with the lead singer currently dating Kelly Osbourne, the band getting heavy video and radio rotation, and a new major record label contract. As for the music? "Their effort is palpable in a spray of crash-

ing rhythms, sublime melodies, candid lyrics, dynamic vocals and big guitars," says the band's website. Also, the lead singer will sometimes get so intensely into his music that he'll puke onstage.

Blackalicious: By far, one of the most innovative hip-hop groups around today, Blackalicious is similar to The Used in that they have maintained the original integrity of their music while reaching out to a wider audience. Blackalicious is a hip-hop group from the Bay Area that has been performing and making music for over ten years. Their major label debut, "Blazing Arrow," was met with critical acclaim and has been supported with steady touring. As a result, their live shows are not typical to hip-hop performances and feature back up singers, costumes, and props.

NOTE: Blackalicious is playing at 3:40 due to a scheduling snafu by their management.

The Bouncing Souls: Since 1989, the Bouncing Souls have paid their dues with constant touring, six full albums, and numerous of 7" records and EP's. Signed to Epitaph Records in 1996, the band is well known for its undiluted punk rock sound combined with a sense of humor. They have performed with Green Day, NOFX, and The Mighty Mighty Bosstones, and played a show on SU's campus a couple of years ago. "The Bouncing Souls show was the best show I've seen in Salisbury," says DJ.

Thrice: This radio-friendly punk band from Irvine, CA tours with The Used and has played throughout the nation, including several Warped Tours. Their 2001 release "The Illusion of Safety" was very successful, and they have been working steadily on their follow up. Downloadable: "A Subtle Dagger" and "Betrayal is a Symptom"

Story of the Year: The unannounced band for this year's Field Day is another band with ties to The Used. After recording their album with band members from Goldfinger, they signed with Maverick/Warner Records and are poised to make a mainstream breakthrough.

My Chemical Romance: Known for their intense performances and stage antics, this group has a serious live show. Crowd

interaction is very important to MCR, so expect to get involved when they are on stage. Check out their indie-label debut "I Brought You My Bullets, You Brought Me Your Love."

Written Prisms: One of the best bands to come out of Salisbury, the WP's have played gigs in the area nonstop for the past several years and recorded their first album "Inclination." Their blend of hip-hop, jazz, and funk resulted in something never seen before: a hip-hop band that can jam out one minute with improvised music and lyrics, then jump right back into tightly created, homegrown melodies.



Blackalicious

Photo from the web.

Truesetto: Another one of Salisbury's finest, Truesetto won this year's Battle of the Bands amid tough competition and clinched the open Field Day spot.

"The Truesetto live show is a full-on assault of tightness and energy that displays their capability to add the element of rock rawness while remaining true to their recorded sound," says their website truesetto.com. The alt-rock vibe these guys bring is not to be missed.



The Used

Photo by google.

Field Day XI schedule

Parking lot opens at 1:00 pm
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Truesetto - 2:50 pm
Blackalicious - 3:40 pm
Story of the Year - 4:45 pm
Written Prisms - 5:35 pm
My Chemical Romance - 6:25 pm
Thrice - 7:15 pm
The Bouncing Souls - 8:05 pm
The Used - 9:10 pm

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The sweet and sour tastes of summer

By Brian Zitzelman

Everyone has been there. Sitting in a theatre about to see a film that, in the trailer at least, looks like it will be totally awesome. Alas, it is just another instance of summer movie syndrome.

It is a universal fact that with each passing summer, while a number of innovative and excellent films emerge, a batch of cliché and pointless sequels will arrive as well. This year continues the trend with a batch of new blockbusters hitting theatres beginning May 2 with "X2."

"I think a lot of them have a hard time living up to the buzz," says freshman Abby Smith. "They look good in the previews but it is rare to find one that actually delivers what is promised. Usually the over-promoted ones blow."

Sophomore Jason Welch has run into this problem before as well. "Volcano" was the worst movie in the entire world. The only character in that movie that actually ran from the molten hot lava was a dog."

The appearance of terrible summer sequels continues in June. That month not only brings the sequel of "Fast and the Furious" in "2 Fast 2 Furious" to screens, but it also sees one of the oddest prequels of all time, "When Harry Met Lloyd: Dumb and Dumberer." The movie, starting June 13, does not feature Jim Carrey or Jeff Daniels, the stars of the 1994 original.

While the pain of going to an awful summer sequel can be excruciating to the body and soul, there are a number of major ones hitting between May and August that

has fans in a frenzy. One sequel that has people excited is the new "Spy Kids" film. The reason for this can be seen in the movie's title, "Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over." That is right, after so many years, 3-D is returning to the big screen.

"I think that aspect is pretty cool," says Smith. "I'd go see it for that."

Perhaps the most anticipated film of the summer, and even the year, arrives in theatres on May 15. That is the day the long awaited "Matrix Reloaded" finally premieres. The movie continues the story of Neo as he fights to free humanity from its enslavers.

"The Matrix" was an amazing and unique story with amazing special effects," says Welch. "I can only hope that the rest of the trilogy will be equally inventive and new." The third and final of "The Matrix" films is currently set to show up in November of this year.

Another movie that has fans excited is Pixar's "Finding Nemo." It is the first summer release by Pixar, whose past hits include the "Toy Story" series and "Monsters, Inc." "Finding Nemo" is the computer generated tale of a clown fish, voiced by Albert Brooks, out to rescue his son after he has been kidnapped by a scuba diver.

By the time September gets here Arnold will have returned as the Terminator, yet another "American Pie" film will be out, and mankind will still be wondering why people go see Michael Bay films. Until then, good luck at the movies.

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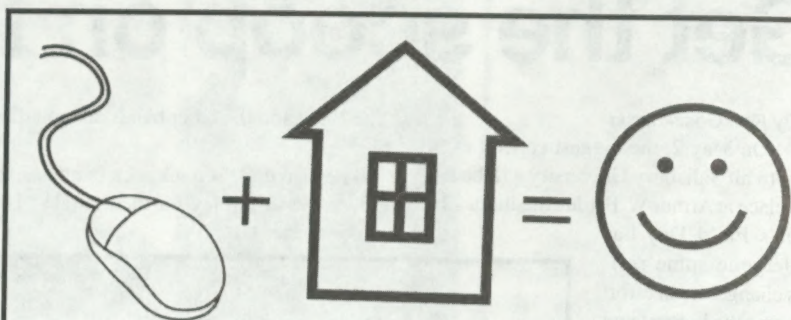
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Salisbury Symphony Orchestra concert

The Salisbury Symphony Orchestra at Salisbury University presents its annual spring concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 3, in Holloway Hall Auditorium. Conducted by Dr. Thomas G. Elliot, the concert features a number of musical pieces, including "Meditation" from Thais by Jules Massenet, "Blessed Are They" from A German Requiem by Johannes Brahms and "Victory at Sea" and "Flower Drum Song" by Richard Rogers, arranged for orchestra by Robert Russell Bennett. SU tuba music major Justin Henderson solos in "Concerto for Bass Tuba and Orchestra" by Ralph Vaughan Williams. The concert also includes Morton Gould's "American Salute" as a tribute to military personnel returning from overseas. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors over 60 and children 18 and under, and are available at local branches of Peninsula Bank and Bank of Delmarva during normal business hours. For more information call 410-543-6030 or visit the SU web site.

Spring Philosophy Symposium

Salisbury University's Spring Philosophy Symposium titled "What is a Good Citizen?" will be held Saturday, May 3, from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., featuring Harvard University's Elaine Scarry engaged in dialogue by Dana Villa from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Scarry is the Walter M. Cabot professor of Aesthetic and the General Theory of Value at Harvard. Dana Villa is an associate professor of po-

litical theory and one of the foremost authorities on 20th century political thinker Hannah Arendt. The morning session is in Caruthers Hall Auditorium, and the afternoon session is in Henson Science Hall, Room 243. The afternoon session is devoted to open discussion. A continental breakfast is available at 9 a.m., and lunch is available in the Commons. A reception with the participants follows immediately after the program in the Philosophy House. Reservations are not required, but those attending are asked to call 410-677-5070 or e-mail fikane@salisbury.edu.

Cinco de Mayo fiesta

Mexican music, cuisine and dancing lessons highlight Salisbury University's Cinco de Mayo celebration 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday, May 5, outdoors between Henson Science Hall and Devilbiss Hall on the SU campus. The event features salsa dancing, a performance by the band Fugas, games and a mystery prize. Mexican foods available include nachos, beef tacos and quesadillas, as well as vegetarian items. The SU Spanish Club sponsors the celebration. For more information call 410-543-6030 or visit the SU website.

Conflict resolution workshops

The Salisbury University Center for Conflict Resolution and Center for Professional Development present a series of professional workshops focusing on negotiation and resolution starting Thursday, May 8. The initial topic is "Conflict Resolution" followed by "An Introduction to Alternative Dispute Resolution Practices" on Wednesday, July 16; "The Dance: The Art of Negotiation" Friday, September 19; and "Advanced Negotiation" Friday, December 5. Workshops are in the Worcester Room

Crime Beat

Compiled by Sarah Frantz
04/18/03 08:47 a.m.

Arrest on Warrant

Salisbury University received an arrest warrant from Virginia Tech. Police are charging an SU student with possession of illegal drugs with intent to distribute and related charges. He was turned over to the Maryland State Police for extradition to Virginia authorities.

04/18/03 12:30 p.m.

Theft

A student reported that a coat, wallet and keys were placed in an unlocked locker in Maggs Gym. The coat was recovered in the locker room but the keys and wallet were not. A short time later, a credit card stolen from the wallet was used to make two purchases in Princess Anne. The Princess Anne Police Department are investigating the use of the credit card.

04/21/03 10:15 p.m.

Assault

A resident of Dogwood Village reported that he was pushed by two college-aged males as he was leaving Choptank Hall.

They called him by name and confronted him. The investigation is on-going.

04/22/03 02:30 a.m.

Underage Possession of Alcohol

An underage resident of Severn Hall was found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages. A citation was issued and administrative action is pending.

04/22/03 06:14 p.m.

Vandalism

The card reader was damaged at the entrance to Wicomico Hall.

04/22/03 05:30 p.m.

Theft

The "men" and "women" signs were stolen from the restrooms on the first floor of the University Center.

04/25/03 07:00 p.m.

Misuse of E-mail

A resident of Manokin Hall reported receiving a threatening and annoying I.M.

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of the Commons at SU from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Continental breakfasts and mid-day refreshments are included. Program fees are \$90 for each of the first three workshops. Program fee for the final workshop is \$125 and attendance to the prior workshop, "The Dance: The Art of Negotiation," is required. For more information call Kathryn Redden at 410-543-6394 or Carol Brady at 410-548-4481, e-mail keredden@salisbury.edu or cmb Brady@salisbury.edu.

Pulitzer Prize winner Stephen Dunn

As part of its Writers-on-the-Shore series, the Department of English at Salisbury University presents Pulitzer Prize winner Stephen Dunn on Thursday, May 8, at 8 p.m. in the Montgomery Room, Commons building. Dunn, winner of the 2001 Pulitzer Prize for Different Hours, has published numerous volumes of poetry including New and Selected Poems 1974-1994 (Norton, 1994) and two volumes of prose including Walking Light: Essays and Memoirs (BOA Editions, 2002). In addition to Dunn's reading, SU poets and fiction writers read from

their work to celebrate the publication of Mid-Atlantic Review. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call Dr. Michael Waters at 410-543-6540.

Maryland Chief's Challenge

The Chief's Challenge is a campaign conducted from April 1 through May 31, 2003, in order for law enforcement agencies to provide Maryland citizens with the knowledge and motivation to achieve a statewide 90 percent safety belt use rate by the end of 2003. For the next two months, large and small-sized law enforcement agencies throughout Maryland will join together to get the citizens they serve to buckle up and properly secure their children in safety seats. The best approach is a proactive approach, which promotes voluntary compliance with the help of the SU community. Look for tables set up in the commons and in Henson hall with a sign-up pledge to always wear a seatbelt. For more information got to the SUPD website www.salisbury.edu/police/.

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NFL Draft 2003: the season begins

By Matt Rosati

During last weekend's NFL draft, the Cincinnati Bengals pulled a Tom Petty and showed that even the losers get lucky sometimes. The hiring of ex-Redskin/Raven defensive coordinator Marvin Lewis was the first step in what could be a marathon back to the playoffs. The laughingstock of the NFL took a second step in turning around a dismal franchise with three solid draft picks that could lay the foundation for a playoff run in the future.

Heisman Trophy winner Carson Palmer went into draft weekend already singled under a multi million-dollar Cincinnati contract. In the second round, the Bengals picked projected first rounder Eric Steinbach, an Iowa offensive lineman who can play both guard and tackle. The Bengals' third pick of the day was a risk, but if it pays off, the drafting of WR Kelley Washington could set up a great QB/WR tandem in the future. Before last season Washington was rated beside Charles Rogers, only to have a neck injury send his draft stock plummeting. With the Bengals proven as the undisputed king of the 2003 draft, I present to you the other winners and losers of the draft.

Worst overall draft: Arizona Cardinals - The Cardinals never cease to amaze me on draft weekend. They could have picked the hometown star with Sundevil Terrell Suggs; instead they ended up with Bryant Johnson and Wake Forest DE Calvin Pace. Arizona needed to fill every position, and they spend two first round picks on these guys?

What were they thinking: Minnesota Vikings - For the second consecutive year, the Vikings failed to turn their pick in on time. This year it happened after trade talks with the Ravens fell through at the last sec-



Ravens top draft pick, Terrell Suggs

ond. The Vikings claim they knew what they were doing all along, waiting to draft Kevin Williams.

Biggest risk: Wills McGahee - This guy was a surefire top three pick going into December, but after tearing multiple knee ligaments during the National Championship game his future became unclear. The Bills drafted him with a first round pick that they received from Atlanta, so it was viewed by the franchise as a free pick. McGahee will most likely sit out next season and continue to rehab. In the future he could be a home run back or a waste of a few million dollars.

Sure-fire bust: Jeff Faine - He's the center from Notre Dame who's always hurt and always in pain. This guy did not even play a full game against Navy - in fact, he

never played a full game! I do not know what the Browns were thinking drafting this guy into the most physical division in football.

Best draft day trade: Pittsburgh Steelers - The Steelers traded a third and sixth round pick to Kansas City to move up 12 spots in the first round. What the Steelers received may be the missing piece to the Super Bowl puzzle. Safety Troy Polamalu was everyone's highest rated safety, and should make an immediate impact for the Steelers.

Todd Marinovich QB Award: Kyle Boller - This award goes to the QB who will fail, and fail miserably. Sorry Ravens fans, but he lacks any sort of passing accuracy, he cannot move, and in college he only had to throw to one side of the field.

On a local level the Ravens and Redskins each had unique draft days. Baltimore was able to work a little magic, but it will cost them in the future. They acquired Terrell Suggs who set the single season NCAA sack record and will most likely play weak side DE, opposite of Peter Boulware. Although many draft experts blasted Suggs' will to play and credited his sack record to poor offensive line play, he should fit nicely in the Ravens defensive scheme. With Ray Lewis behind you, anyone would fit nicely on the Ravens defensive side of the ball! The selection of Kyle Boeller fills a need at QB, but it was not worth 2004's first round pick. The Ravens could have taken a big play WR here, but waited until the third round to take Dave Ragnone.

The Redskins make this article much easier. After stealing half of the Jets roster, they had to forfeit their first round pick. When the time came to pick in the second, Steve Spurrier picked Florida WR Taylor Jacobs (surprise, surprise). When at Gainesville, the knock against Spurrier was that he never produced players that performed in the NFL; funny thing is he still does not produce NFL players with the Redskins! Jacobs could follow the long line of Florida wash ups. The other Washington pick, OL Derrick Dockery, can best be described by *Pro Football Weekly's* draft report:

"Not real mobile and has some trouble blocking in space. Becomes tentative when he over thinks. Has slow leg drive at times and has trouble sustaining blocks. Does not use his hands well. Lacks consistency and explosion off the ball. Wears down late in games. Hard to figure out because he is aggressive one play and tentative the next."

Following another weak draft, it looks like another long season for the Redskins.

Track & Field successful at CAC championship

By Noah Wood

The men and women's track and field teams took second place at the Capital Athletic Conference Championships at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia on Saturday, April 26.

Both teams took second to Mary Washington College, but easily beat out the other four competitors in the conference (Catholic University of America, Gallaudet University, Goucher College and York College). The men's team score was 197 points (45 points behind Mary Washington), followed by Catholic, Gallaudet, Goucher and York. The women's team score was 114 points (103 points behind Mary Washington College), followed by Goucher, York, Catholic and Gallaudet.

In addition, there were many members of the both teams that earned All-CAC honors, which were gained by placing either first or second in an event. The All-CAC

men were sophomore Tristan Gilbert (won the 1500 meter dash and took second in the 800 meter dash), freshman Kyle Harmon (second in the high jump and fourth in the triple jump), Junior Justin Johnson (won the 100 meter high hurdles and the 400 meter hurdles, and was second in the 400 meter dash), sophomore Josh Payton (second in the 100 meter dash and third in the 200 meter dash), senior Beau Ridgway (second in the shot put), sophomore Tim Robinson (second in the javelin), the 4X100 meter relay team (second), the 4X400 meter relay team (a hard-fought first place over Mary Washington by a mere second) and sophomore Brad Ellis had an outstanding triple (first in the 3000 meter steeplechase, second in the 400 meter hurdles, and third in the 5000 meter run).

"I was really happy with my individual performances. I actually shocked myself with some of it," said Ellis. "It was also

nice to see everyone competing as well as they did and everyone supporting each other."

Similar to the men's team, the women's team had plenty of its members earn All-CAC honors. Among them were freshman Sarah Hynes (winner of the 800 meter dash), sophomore Melissa Lewis (first in the hammer throw with a school record of 121 feet and 3 inches, and third in the javelin), sophomore Tori Peddicord (winner of the 200 meter dash and second in the 400 meter dash), freshman Dana Sillers (second in the triple jump), the 4X100 meter relay and 4X400 meter relay teams were both second and freshman Amy Lang, winner of the 5000 meter run with a personal best time of 19:51.47).

"It was a great day. We all pulled out some awesome performances," said Lang. "I'm so happy with my race and couldn't have done it without my team's help."

Both teams competed very well and the competition seemed to bring out the best of the tenacious Sea Gulls. Head coach Jim Jones expressed his contentment with both his teams' persistence, especially on how well they fought in close competition with Mary Washington.

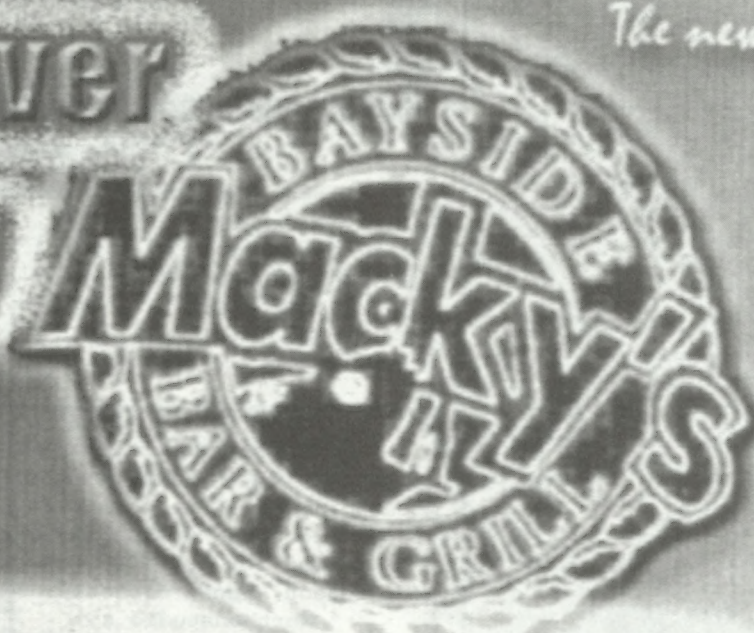
"I'm pleased with the way we competed today," said Jones after the meet. "We had some outstanding performances."

The track and field season is coming to an end with the rest of the semester, and everyone seems to be peaking well for the championship meets. Next weekend the Sea Gulls will be challenged at the Mason-Dixon Outdoor Championships at Christopher Newport University, but if the Sea Gulls fight and persist like they did at the CAC's this past weekend, they will be able to respond to the challenges that the Championships will bring.

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Lebron or Carmelo: is there a question?

Editorial
Sean Iannucci

For months high school phenom Lebron James has not only been the anticipated #1 pick in the 2003 NBA draft, he has been prematurely crowned heir to the league's *Throne of Jordan*. The 6'8 forward who plays like a man amongst boys has recently received a surprise opponent, however; a national champion orangeman will force second thoughts for the franchise who lands the winning ball in the May 22 lottery.

Syracuse freshman Carmelo Anthony has decided to place his 2003 NCAA championship and tournament MVP award on the table, causing unexpected discussions about the supposed "crystal-clear" top pick amongst analysts and fans. Not only has the debate grown since Anthony led Syracuse to its first national championship, it has become extremely intensified since his April 24 declaration of eligibility for the June 26 draft.

Since Kevin Garnett declared himself eligible as Farragut Academy senior in 1995, there has been a high schooler in every NBA draft. The growing trend for NBA



Lebron James

teams to nab and carefully cultivate baby-faced prodigies seemingly reached its peak when scouts began whispering 'James', 'Springfield' and 'greatest ever' in the same sentence.

The problem- Anthony is a proven champion, would not need 3-5 developmental years and is so damn coachable. The



Carmelo Anthony

forward averaged 22 points and 10 rebounds per game in 2002-2003 and showed incredible poise and leadership skills as a freshman. Anthony decided to silence critics by pleading the fifth when asked if he would enter the draft, then continued to play outstanding basketball. At a stage where many collegiate players faced with the 'Should I

stay or should I go' question slump, Carmelo Anthony remained focused on winning, a state of mind that has boosted his draft stock just as much as his incredible athleticism.

The answer- James must be taken with the number one pick. There is simply too much hype, too much risk of embarrassment and too much excitement surrounding Lebron. The Portland Trailblazers were the last team to surpass Michael Jordan in the 1984 draft, and the "what if's" have not stopped 20 years

later. If Lebron James does not become what everyone thought he would be, then you made the same mistake 90 percent of the NBA community would have with the first pick of 2003. If Lebron does become God in a pair of high-tops, and you did not pick him, then the Portland curse of Sam Bowie will be forgotten forever.

Sea Gull Sports Beat: Four Teams Win CAC Championship

By Sean Iannucci

Men's Lax - The Sea Gulls blasted Mary Washington 26-1 on Sunday, April 27 to win their ninth straight conference championship. Salisbury received goals from an amazing 14 different players; Chris Phillips and Corey O'Neil finished with three goals each while Josh Bergey finished with two goals and three assists. The Sea Gulls are now 14-1 and earn an automatic bid to the NCAA Championship Tournament with the victory.

Women's Lax - The Sea Gulls defeated Mary Washington 7-6 on Sunday, April 27 to capture the CAC championship and extend their winning streak to a record-tying 10 games. Linda Ackerman netted three goals while Jessica White added two. The Sea Gulls are now 12-1 and finish the regular season at Rowan on Friday.

Softball - The Sea Gulls won two games on Sunday, April 27 to capture the CAC championship for the seventh straight season. Lacey Lister and Katie Mullinix beat Mary Washington, 6-0, and York, 13-0, to improve their stellar records to 18-1 and 17-2 respectively. Lisa Gentilella, Erin Ruest, Kristy Shaffer and Mullinix all added big hitting performances in the team's dual shut-outs. The Sea Gulls are now 35-3-1 and look forward to the National tournament.

Womens Tennis - The Sea Gulls won the CAC championship in Fredericksburg, VA on Sunday, April 27. Jody Cogar (7-5, 7-5), Sam Coldren (6-1, 6-2) and Heather Tyng (6-2, 6-3) all won their respective singles championship matches. In doubles Cogar and Coldren, Tyng and Cassie Meyer, and Gen Lowe and Sam Smiles all won their championship matches. The Sea Gulls finish the regular season 10-6.

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First Round High Schoolers

- 1995 - Kevin Garnett
#5 Minnesota
- 1996 - Kobe Bryant
#13 Lakers
Jermaine O Neal
#17 Portland
- 1997 - Tracy McGrady
#9 Toronto
- 1998 - Al Harrington
#25 Indiana
- 1999 - Jonathan Bender
#5 Toronto
Leon Smith
#29 S. Antonio
- 2000 - Darius Miles
#3 Clippers
Deshawn Stevenson
#23 Utah
- 2001 - Kwame Brown
#1 Washington
Tyson Chandler
#2 Clippers
Eddy Curry
#4 Chicago
- 2002 - Amare Stoudamire
#9 Phoenix